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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

MIXED SEMANTIC STORAGE I/O

A mechanism for initiating and completing one or more
I/O transactions using channel and memory semantic messages
5   is disclosed. Channel semantic messages are messages that
are simply packetized and transmitted. Memory semantic
messages are transmitted by means of a remote direct memory
access (RDMA) operation; they are more akin to a memory copy
than the simple transmission of a message.